

Holy Eucharist

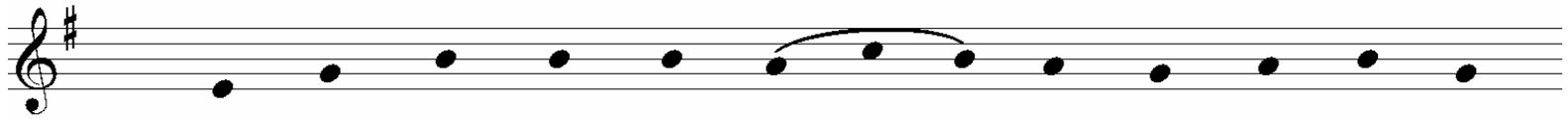
The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 21, 2014

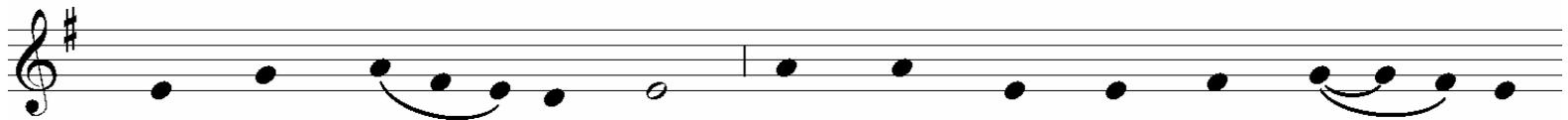
Processional Hymn

O come, O come, Emmanuel, verses 1-4

Hymnal 56



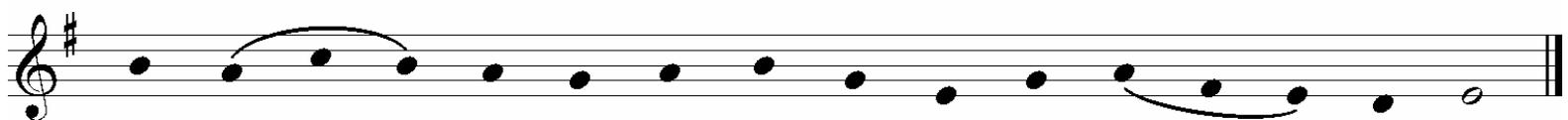
(Dec. 23) 1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som
 (Dec. 17) 2 O come, thou Wis - dom from on high, who or - derest
 (Dec. 18) 3 O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy
 (Dec. 19) 4 O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from
 (Dec. 20) 5 O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come, and o - pen
 (Dec. 21) 6 O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us
 (Dec. 22) 7 O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the
 (Dec. 23) 8 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som



1 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile
 2 all things might - i - ly; to us the path of know - ledge
 3 tribes on Si - nai's height in an - cient times didst give the
 4 Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny that trust thy might - y power to
 5 wide our heaven - ly home; make safe the way that leads on
 6 by thy draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of
 7 hearts of all man - kind; bid thou our sad di - vi - sions
 8 cap - tive Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile



1 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 2 show, and teach us in her ways to go.
 3 law, in cloud, and ma - jes - ty, and awe.
 4 save, and give them vic - tory o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice!
 5 high, and close the path to mis - er - y.
 6 night, and death's dark shad - ow put to flight.
 7 cease, and be thy - self our King of Peace.
 8 here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.



Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

The stanzas may be used as antiphons with "The Song of Mary" on the dates given.

All standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.

People

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lighting of the Advent Candles

Today we relight the first three candles of the Advent Wreath,
the candles of Hope, Peace and Joy. [The first two purple
candles, and the single rose candle, are lit.] Now we light the
fourth candle of Advent. This is the candle of Love. Jesus
demonstrated self-giving love in his ministry as the Good
Shepherd. Advent is a time for kindness, thinking of others,
and sharing with others. It is a time to love as God loved us by
giving us his most precious gift. As God is love, let us be love
also. [The last purple candle is lit.]

In the Gospel of John we hear: “I give you a new
commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved
you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will
know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one
another.” (13:34-35)

Let us pray: Teach us to love, O Lord. May we always
remember to put you first as we follow Christ’s footsteps, that
we may know your love and show it in our lives. As we prepare
for our celebration of Jesus’ birth, also fill our hearts with love
for the world, that all may know your love and the one whom
you have sent, your son, our Savior. **Amen.**

Hymn

Surely it is God who saves me

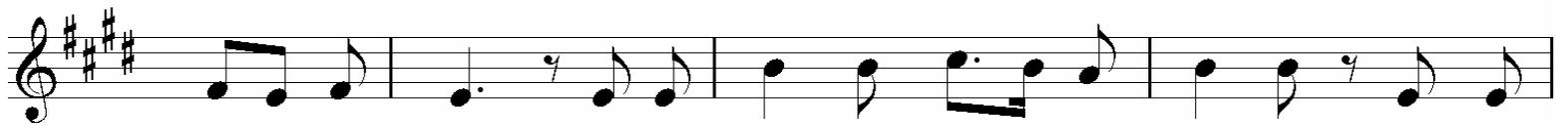
Hymnal 679



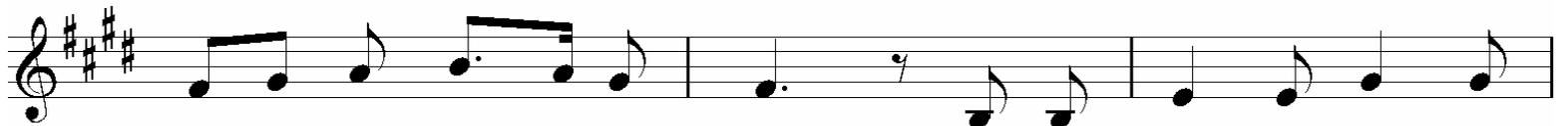
1 Sure - ly it is God — who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not
2 Make his deeds — known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed



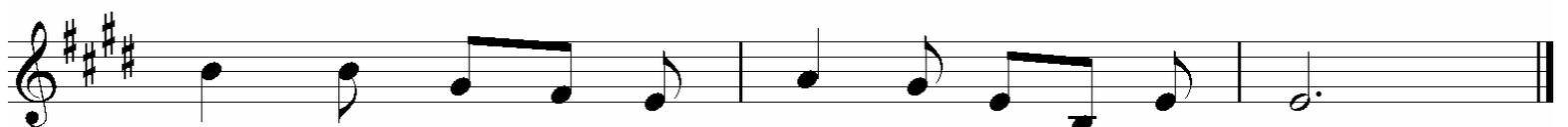
fear. For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his



help is near. So re - joice as you draw wa - ter from sal -
might pro - claim. Zi - on, lift your voice in sing - ing; for with



va - tion's liv - ing spring; in the day of your de -
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the



liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.



First Reading

2 Samuel 7:1-11,16

All sit.

A Reading from the Second book of Samuel.

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, “See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.” Nathan said to the king, “Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you.” But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, “Why have you not built me a house of cedar?” Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Remain seated.

Canticle 3

The Song of Mary *Magnificat*

My soul doth magnify the Lord, *

and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.

For he hath regarded *

the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold from henceforth *

all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me, *

and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him *

throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm; *

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, *

and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things, *

and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, *

as he promised to our forefathers,

Abraham and his seed for ever.

Second Reading

Romans 16:25-27

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence

All stand.

1 The an - gel Ga - bri - el from hea - ven came,
 2 "For know a bless - ed Mo - ther thou shalt be,
 3 Then gen - tle Ma - ry meek - ly bowed her head,
 4 Of her, Em - man - u - el, the Christ, was born

his wings as drift - ed snow, his eyes as flame;
 all gen - er - a - tions laud and hon - or thee,
 "To me be as it pleas - eth God," she said,
 in Beth - le - hem, all on a Christ - mas morn,

"All hail," said he, "thou low - ly maid - en Ma - ry,
 thy Son shall be Em - man - u - el, by seers fore - told,
 "my soul shall laud and mag - ni - fy his ho - ly Name."
 and Chris - tian folk through - out the world will ev - er say—

most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!
 most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!
 Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy, Glo - ri - a!
 "Most high - ly fa - vored la - dy," Glo - ri - a!

Holy Gospel

Luke 1:26-38

All stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one!

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.



We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Kneel as you are able.

Prayer Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those
who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is

drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength

known but the strength of love: So mightily spread

abroad your Spirit, That all peoples may be gathered

under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of

one Father; to whom be dominion and glory, now and

forever. Amen

For the just and proper use of your creation;

*For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and
oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and
the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Katharine our Presiding Bishop, and Dean our Bishop, Mary our priest and all the people of St Luke's who serve in the name of Christ; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Prayer List for Health & Strength—Christy Keller; Kyle Brady; Nanine Castleberry; Nancy Craig; Jim Gray; Jon Hall; Emily Hernandez; Marlin Howard; Kylie & Josh; Dominic King; Matthew Knabel; Sharon Mossman; Liz Pfeiffer; Bill Rick; Jeb Smith; Speicher family; Samuelson family; Mary Thierry; David Uhrmacher

Homebound—Kathy Bagby; Jon Hall; Wanda Kirkham; & Helen Reathaford

For those who have died - Ardis O'Brien

For those serving in the Armed Forces—Devon Allen; Murphy Bright; Ben Dible; Coy Goodman; Michael Green; Clemente Gutierrez; Harvey Hayselden; Drew Hunnicutt; Benjamin Karpinski; Patrick McAnerney; Barry Palmer; Aaron Rhodes; Kayla Rollock; Alex Shaw; Jose Te'o; Jordan Warthall

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Diocese of Kontagora in Nigeria and Bishop Jonah Ibrahim

In the World Council of Churches Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the people of Benin, Côte d'Ivoire and Togo

In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for Grace, Winfield

We remember those with birthdays this week,

David Kahn; Jessie Rohrer

We remember those with anniversaries this week,

Stephen & Anne Kniggendorf; Stephen & Terrel Mann

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

We remember those with birthdays this week,

Silence *Please share your petitions either aloud or silently*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence *Please share your petitions either aloud or silently*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Confession of Sin

All kneel.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins

through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness,

and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

Peace

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Birthday & Anniversary Blessings

Offertory Sentence

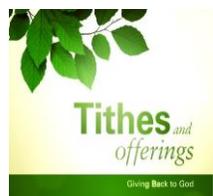
The Celebrant says

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

Presentation of the Bread & Wine

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine to the altar.

Presentation of Gifts & Doxology 380, vs.3



While the money or other gifts are brought forward, please sing the doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge

the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Hymn

The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus

S 129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given

thanks, he gave it to them, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ
has taught us,
we now pray,

People and Celebrant

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says



The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion, or come forward for a blessing by the priest. Gluten free bread is available upon request.

HOLY COMMUNION

After receiving the bread and wine, respond

“Amen.”

Post Communion Hymn

#50 You Are My All and All,

You Are My All In All

Words and Music by
Dennis Jernigan

♩ = 104 *Part I
C G Am Am7 Em



1. You are my strength when I am weak. You are the treasure that I
2. Tak - ing my sin, my cross, my shame, Ris - ing a - gain I bless Your



3 seek. You are my all in all. Seek - ing You as a pre - cious
name; You are my all in all. When I fall down, You pick me



6 jew'l, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool. You are my all in all.
up; When I am dry, You fill my cup; You are my all in all.

*Part II



9 Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is Your name!



13 Je - sus, Lamb of God, wor - thy is Your name!

The verses (Part I) and chorus (Part II) may be sung as a round.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

In the name of God, we send you forth to share communion with those who are absent from this table.

People respond **As you have been fed, now feed others in Christ's name.**

Celebrant says Our prayers are with you; go in peace.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Announcements



If you are visiting with us today, welcome. Please join us in the parish hall after service. Don't forget to sign the guest book!

Recessional Hymn

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord Hymnal 437

1 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord!
2 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his Name!
3 Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of his might!
4 Tell out, my soul, the glo - ries of his word!

Un - num - bered bless - ings give my spi - rit voice;
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
Powers and do - min - ions lay their glo - ry by.
Firm is his prom - ise, and his mer - cy sure.

ten - der to me the prom - ise of his word;
his mer - cy sure, from age to age the same;
Proud hearts and stub - born wills are put to flight,
Tell out, my soul, the great - ness of the Lord

in God my Sa - vior shall my heart re - joice.
his ho - ly Name— the Lord, the Might - y One.
the hun - gry fed, the hum - ble lift - ed high.
to chil - dren's chil - dren and for ev - er - more!

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

A Note on Today's Readings

The Fourth Sunday of Advent—Year B

Welcome to our parish. The central figure in today's liturgy is the Blessed Virgin Mary and her vocation as the human instrument of the Incarnation.

Today's Gospel is the account of the Annunciation, when Gabriel announced to the Virgin that God had chosen her to be the mother of the Messiah. Mary's humble obedience, "Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it done unto me according to thy word..." is the model for Christian living.

The first reading today is the promise God made to David to establish his line as kings over God's people. This promise to raise up a new king of David's lineage was understood by Jews in the first century as a promise to send the Messiah.

In the second reading today Paul concludes his letter to the Church in Rome. He expresses the early Christian proclamation that in Christ the clouded meaning of the Old Testament prophecies has been revealed. In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, God's plan has been made clear and the hints of that plan in the writings of the prophets have been fulfilled.

Christians gather in the liturgy to remember our story: a story which goes back through the ages. The central actor is always God, who acts in history to lead all the creation into the kingdom. God, who acted in the lives of people in the past such as David and the blessed Virgin, continues to act today in our lives. The Eucharist is the moment of encounter with God in which, like Mary, we respond, "Yes, let it be done to me according to your word."

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